

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

Survey No. WA-I-497
MAGI No. 22514975604
DOE yes X no

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Beckley House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER Dirt road from south side Route 68,
north of Williamsport Station

CITY, TOWN Williamsport X VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
STATE Maryland COUNTY Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<u> </u> DISTRICT	<u> </u> PUBLIC	<u> </u> OCCUPIED	<u> </u> AGRICULTURE <u> </u> MUSEUM
<u>X</u> BUILDING(S)	<u>X</u> PRIVATE	<u>X</u> UNOCCUPIED	<u> </u> COMMERCIAL <u> </u> PARK
<u> </u> STRUCTURE	<u> </u> BOTH	<u> </u> WORK IN PROGRESS	<u> </u> EDUCATIONAL <u>X</u> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<u> </u> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<u> </u> ENTERTAINMENT <u> </u> RELIGIOUS
<u> </u> OBJECT	<u> </u> IN PROCESS	<u>X</u> YES: RESTRICTED	<u> </u> GOVERNMENT <u> </u> SCIENTIFIC
	<u> </u> BEING CONSIDERED	<u> </u> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<u> </u> INDUSTRIAL <u> </u> TRANSPORTATION
	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u> </u> NO	<u> </u> MILITARY <u> </u> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN STATE, zip code
 VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:
Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This building which has been damaged by fire, is located at the end of a dirt road from the south side of Route 68, north of Williamsport. It is composed of an (east) main block 1½ stories in height and a two-story ell on the rear. Both sections are gable roofed and have German siding.

The east block is of log construction, partially exposed by fire damage, and has two end chimneys. It is four bays wide by two deep. The second floor (half story) windows on the principal facade are much smaller in size than those on the first floor. Most window sash on the main block are missing.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Beckley house, although damaged by fire, is of interest architecturally as a large log dwelling which warrants closer investigation. The four bay wide facade and off-center doorway suggests Pennsylvania German influence.

The house is shown on the 1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson atlas of Washington County as Mrs. E.H. Beckley's "Res." (residence). On the 1859 Taggart atlas, a building is shown in the general area as that of a Mrs. Byers.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson, An Illustrated Atlas of Washington County, Maryland, Philadelphia, 1877.

Taggart, T., A Map of Washington County, Maryland, 1859.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

June 1982

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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